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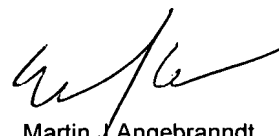
1. ☒ The amendment filed on 08 November 2007 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☐ entered.
- b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

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- d) ☒ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

*The amendment has not been entered as it makes claim 1 unclear. An examiner's amendment to claims 1 and 15 accompanies this to grant the applicant the desired coverage while clarifying the claims.*

  
 Martin J. Angebrannt  
 Primary Examiner  
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1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert W. Diehl (35,118) on November 26, 2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, at lines 2-6, please replace - - and/or its partially hydrolyzed polycondensate and an organometallic compound represented by the following general formula 2, or a partially or fully hydrolyzed polycondensate of said organic-inorganic hybrid polymer, its and/or its partially hydrolyzed polycondensate and said organometallic compound, further a "with - - , its partially hydrolyzed polycondensate, its fully hydrolyzed polycondensate, or any combination thereof and an organometallic compound represented by the following general formula 2, further comprising a - - .

In claim 15, at lines 3-5, please replace "said organic-inorganic hybrid polymer and/or its hydrolyzed polycondensate combined with a second organometallic compound" with - - a second organometallic compound and said organic-inorganic hybrid polymer and/or its hydrolyzed polycondensates - - .


2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Martin J. Angebrannt whose telephone number is 571-272-1378. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Huff can be reached on 571-272-1385. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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